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Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the Information Disclosure Statement submitted by Applicants in U.S. Serial No. 09/961,792, filed September 24, 2001, from which the above-referenced application takes priority under 35 U.S.C. §1.20. Further, Applicants respectfully direct the Examiner's attention to any other items cited by the Examiner during the prosecution of patent application serial number 09/961,792. It is believed unnecessary under 37 CFR 1.98(d) to submit copies of these previously submitted or cited items which are listed on the enclosed Form 1449.

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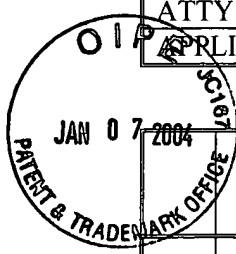


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